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Rumblay Point Road House
Tulls Corner vicinity
private

c. 1900

Built c.1900, this two-~~and~~ and-a-half story frame house stands on the east side of Rumblay Point Road before reaching the Richardson marsh. To keep the frame structure above the low-lying terrain, the house was built on a high brick foundation. The elevated foundation gives the structure additional height and prominence in this area of broad horizontal stretches of tidal wetlands. It appears from the 1877 atlas that this structure is at least the second dwelling on the site. Scatters of pottery and brick fragments are found in an adjacent field. One of the most significant aspects of this house is the beaded board interior finish of two rooms. The large kitchen is especially unusual with its built-in cupboards and enclosed stair. The interior trim is painted in a variety of colors ranging from red, blue, and yellow.

**Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

Survey No. S-259

Magi No. 2002595604

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Rumbley Point Road House

2. Location

street & number E. Side of Rumbley Point Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Tulls Corner ☒ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset Clerk of Court liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☒ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Rumbley Point Road House is located on the east side of the Rumbley Point road, .25 of a mile south of the intersection with Wilson Road, near Tulls Corner, Somerset County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story cross-gabled farmhouse faces west with the primary roof ridge running on a north/south axis.

Built c. 1900, the center hall frame house has reached an advanced state of deterioration. A raised common bond brick foundation supports the weatherboarded frame structure, which is covered by a steeply pitched wood shingle roof. A two-story service wing extends to the rear (east).

The west (main) elevation is symmetrically arranged with a center door and flanking window sash, Now all broken out. A collapsed shed porch formerly covered the first floor, while the second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced windows. The cross-gable is pierced by a pointed arch window. The eaves of the roof extend beyond the wall surface and are trimmed with Victorian sawnwork. Rising from the roof is a single corbelled cap brick chimney. The other stack on the south side has been leveled off.

The north and south gable ends are essentially alike with a two-story semi-octagonal bay window. Three windows light each floor and are divided by flat panels at the second floor level. The eave is also trimmed with Victorian sawnwork.

Extending to the east (rear) is a two-story three-bay service wing which is embellished with Victorian sawnwork and lighted by 2/2 sash windows. A shed porch formerly stretched around each side, and a brick stack formerly pierced the roof.

The interior has been stripped of much of its decorative woodwork including spindled screens between the center hall and south room along with the newel post and balustrade. The south room does retain its narrow vertical board sheathing and a few fluted door surrounds with bulls-eye blocks. The brick stove stack is covered with narrow beaded board as well.

By contrast the north room and second floor of the main house are plastered.

The first floor of the service wing is one large rectangular room also sheathed with vertical beaded board. In the middle of the room, the brick stove stack rises through the ceiling and is encased with beaded board sheathing. An unusual decorative ceiling trim surrounds the stack. Fixed in the southeast corner is a built-in cupboard, and in the northeast corner the enclosed winder stair provides second floor access. The outside corners of the boxed stair are trimmed with turned spindles to

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

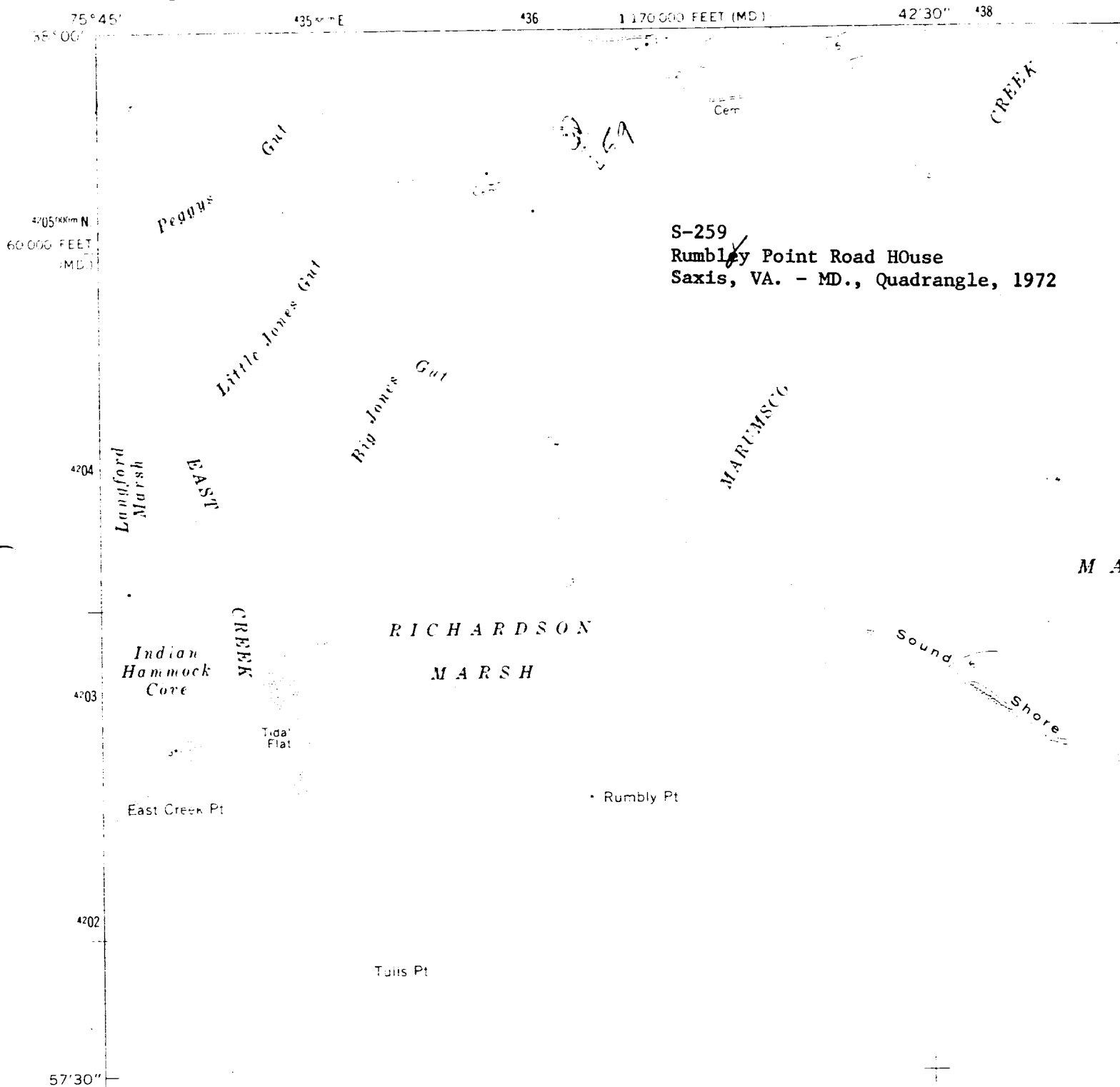
Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This abandoned house on Rumbley Point Road was once a fine dwelling built on the edge of the marsh. Its elevated foundation gave the 2½-story structure additional height and a sense of prominence in the low-lying tidal area. It appears from the 1877 Atlas that this house is at least the second dwelling on the site. Scatters of pottery and bricks are found in an adjacent field and suggest an earlier house site.

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protect the corners from damage. The ceiling is also covered with beaded board. An unusual survival in this room is the paint scheme. White walls are contrasted with a narrow cornice and a bright yellow picture rail. The bulls-eye corner blocks are multi-colored.

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Near Marumscot, Somerset County
North Elevation
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Near Marumscot, Somerset County
Northwest Elevation
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Near Marumsco, Somerset County
Parlor And Hall
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Near Marumscot, Somerset County
Kitchen Interior
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Near Marumsco, Somerset County
Kitchen Cupboard
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